

NOW IS THE TIME TO OPEN UP THE WHOLE BORDERLAND TO EASY ACCESS

(BY H. D. S.)

A FIRST CLASS military road coursing all along the border from ocean to ocean is indicated to be a necessity, by the events of the last five years. Such a road should be built as a military measure primarily, but it would of course have high commercial value also, encouraging the opening up of vast stretches of promising mining, stock raising, and agricultural land now held out of use because of lack of transportation facilities.

Even a glance at the map conveys no clear idea of the isolation of most of the 2000 miles of borderland. People in the east, especially, are unused to thinking in such large units of distance as we habitually use out here. A trip of 200 to 600 or 700 miles by rail out here is nothing—a mere "running over" to this town or that; but "back east" such a trip is a journey, to be thought over for long, carefully prepared for, and talked about. Similarly, the general use of the automobile in this western country has made road trips of 100 to 200 or 400 miles common, in spite of the long stretches of unimproved and sometimes wretched roadways. But a trip so long in the east is a tour, passing through and near communities with millions of population, and passing through many different states.

Many stretches of hundreds of miles of length, many regions as large as good sized eastern states, along this border are inaccessible except by long trips over different roadways branching away at right angles from the transcontinental railroads. A matter of 50 or 100 miles of rough riding brings the occasional traveler to the boundary, but when he gets there he is apt to find himself boxed, baffled, barred from further progress except under greatest difficulties. Sands, rocks, mountains, lack of water, lack of supply stations or shelter, characterize much or most of the 2000

miles of border land. Only scattering settlements and improved places exist, and these are rarely connected by passable roads without making long detours or going back to the distant base at the rail-side.

Since the proposed border military road would be so very useful and profitable to the people, quite apart from its military purpose, its construction should be paid for partly by the states traversed. A fair division of cost would be one-half by the national government and one-half by the states traversed. But the road should be built, and soon.

Imagine how greatly simplified the whole problem of border patrol would become if there were a good improved road all the way along the boundary, on which troops and supplies could be moved rapidly, by motor or on army mounts; and along which there could be established stations at convenient intervals.

Mr. Bryan says the newspapers and the munitions makers were responsible for New York's preparedness parade of 150,000 people. Mr. Bryan should know that nothing but a very soul moving emotion will ever get 150,000 free citizens of all ages and stations in life into a parade.

These Republican and Progressive state conventions all go through about the same procedure—a lot of parliamentary stuff, then the selection of delegates and then a wild yell for Roosevelt.

In the past four years there has been a remarkable change in the status of two men. Roosevelt has gone up and Bryan down in the public estimation.

Flip a quarter to see whether we shall turn on the electric fan or the steam heat tomorrow.

Army Promotions

Out of the new army bill are expected to come many promotions for commissioned officers, especially for those of subordinate rank—this for the reason that the new army will require very many more captains and majors than brigadier generals.

And for these promotions all of us will be thankful, for it has long seemed one of the pitiable features of our army that men whose hair is beginning to be streaked with gray, men of undoubted capability and wide military experience, should still, after many years of faithful service, be wearing the bars of a captain.

There comes to mind the instance of a captain of middle age, who led a handful of his troops against Mexican bandits some days ago—just eight troopers, to be exact, and he was taking orders from a major. And yet that captain, only a year or so ago, was in command of a Moro province in the Philippines, performed all the functions of a governor as well as those of a brigadier general, and had a dark skinned but well drilled and disciplined Moro army under his command in a territory larger and more densely populated than many of our states. His record was excellent when he relinquished his important duties. By reason of fitness, that captain should have been a colonel, at least, of regulars.

The example is not isolated. Many other such instances come to mind. We have all noticed, then, when occasion arose, practically all our officers have shown capacity above their rank. There are a few bladders, of course, but generally speaking the officers throughout our army deserve promotion and are well qualified for it long before it comes. If the new army bill will

help them to come into their own, that much better is the army bill.

Furthermore, Americans generally hope that from some source, from the army bill or the Mexican campaign, will come commissions for some highly capable noncommissioned officers. Of course, one might doubt to predict that any noncommissioned officer who can show such leadership, resourcefulness, coolness, valor and all around efficiency as did a Fourteenth cavalry sergeant at Glen Springs can somehow pass muster creditably under shoulderstraps. In any European country the nation's appreciation of duty admirably performed would have been substantially shown before now.

Some of these days the state of Arizona will recover its balance and elect a man of the type of Col. McIntock or Capt. John C. Greenway—and have a governor. Among the Democrats, the selection of George A. Olney would indicate a hopeful trend.

The Arizona Gazette says Villa is ubiquitous. Not ubiquitous, if you take Carranza's word for it. He believes Villa is in just one place, a place considerably removed from this world, but one which Pancho tried his best to create on this earth.

Agents of a Milwaukee railroad are being provided with needles and thread, hammers and nails for preventing the loss of broken packages of freight. For instance, when an agent finds a torn sack of flour he must darn it instead of merely darning it as heretofore.

The height of temerity is to call a suffragist a suffragist. The suffragists say the difference in endings means the difference between argument and hatchet.

Short Snatches From Everywhere

Ponce seems at all events to be settling upon Ireland again—Montreal Star.

Oregon has only one arm, but he has two shoulders to shrug—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A loving cup is better to offer a man than something nice on his tombstone—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Can it be possible the international trials will pass without a parting blast from Oyster Bay—Pittsburgh Post.

The use of June bugs by Austrians as fodder is a highly ingenious expedient, but what will they do in July?—Brooklyn Eagle.

There will be honor enough for all when the European war ends. The trouble will be to find if there is territory enough for all—Detroit News.

Berlin also reports riots, but apparently no one went so far as to proclaim himself provisional president of Prussia—Indianapolis Star.

The United States government is fortunate in being strongly backed with diplomatic ability during a period of military unpreparedness—Washington Star.

There is only one way to make congress see the difference between a gun barrel and a pork barrel. And it can be applied next November—Cleveland Leader.

Congressmen are to have their pictures in the Congressional directory. Next thing they'll be wanting them on government seal catalogs—Atlanta Constitution.

As outlined in his published plans, after Billy Sunday gets through with Kansas City he will hold meetings at several other large cities, including Boston and New York, and wind up with Chicago. If he regenerates Chicago, Billy will modestly keep aside and make way for Gabriel to give a trombone solo—Kansas City Journal.

Yellowstone Park Filled With Curiosities Not the Least Of These Is Female Tourist

by HOWARD L. RANN.

THE Yellowstone park is a huge playground filled with curiosities of many kinds, including the female tourist, who rides horseback in blue bloomers. A person can stand at the entrance to the park, during the tourist season, and see more natural curiosities on two legs than can be found in a royal zoo. People who are interested in watching human nature perform when it is away from the restraints of home and the local church should visit the Yellowstone park and study the costumes which infest its precincts.

Yellowstone park is ideally situated over a section of the bottomless pit, which yields an abundance of warm water for the benefit of tourists who are addicted to the bathing habit. There is enough hot water going to waste in the Yellowstone park every day to supply all of the bath tubs between New York and Seattle, especially at the rate of speed at which the Yellowstone tubs are being worked.

It is a pleasant sight to visit the park in the summer time and see the worried tourist sitting on the brink of a hot water geyser and having his parched, human garbashed feet in the same. The park was discovered in 1810 by a trapper, who was chased into it.



The female tourist who rides horseback in blue bloomers.

hostile Indians. He took refuge in a long-necked geyser which was not doing business at the time, and remained there for several days, being suddenly expelled with great force and ornamented with a pleasing assortment of curmudgeon's bladders.

There are a great many wild animals in the park, which are maintained at the expense of the abashed taxpayer, who is not allowed to shoot off any firearms, however, but his desire to hunt and prevent being buzzed by some grizzly bear which is of an ardent emotional nature.

People who desire to see nature in its raw state should visit the Yellowstone park and mingle with the free baths provided by a generous government. If more people would do this we would all be happier, and there would not be so much trouble in drawing the color line.

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ABE MARTIN



A dandy way to punish Dentist Waite, th' self confessed New York poisoner, would be to fill his mouth with rubber sheets and then question him. As a rule th' feller who's stuck on himself hardly ever wastes any time knockin' others.

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Texas Militiamen In A Peculiar Position Hillsboro Mining Camps Coming Up Again

THE position of the Texas militiamen who refused to be sworn into the regular army is a peculiar one, and there are many who doubt that anything can be done to them," said G. E. James. "The militiaman, under the constitution of the United States, can only be used to protect his country from invasion and to keep peace within its borders. Therefore he is not compelled to join the regular army, in my opinion. Some of the boys, of course, do not care, but the greater majority have positions at home."

"The efficiency of the police cooperating with the military authorities in eliminating the professional gun criminals is certainly being evidenced in the small number of arrests on charges of carrying concealed weapons," said N. H. Johnson. "As compared with large num-

bers a year ago, there are now being very few arrests made on charges of carrying pistols, and this is a tribute to the campaign of the police and military authorities."

"There is no question that just now El Paso is the center of the most important troupe of automobiles in America," said Frank Eller. "The heavy service demanded of army and commercial trucks has concentrated from El Paso, Tex., to Douglas, Ariz., the attention and effort of the most expert builders of heavy cars in the country. As a result of this experience many improvements in cars and their equipment may be confidently looked forward to."

"The Hillsboro mining district is looking up," said H. E. Rogers. "It is just possible that with the rise in the price of silver and other metals the district will enjoy another boom. There is undoubtedly lots of ore in that section

of New Mexico and I look for further development."

"There never was greater prosperity in Arizona than at the present time," said Alvin Thrasher, of Los Angeles. "In every mining camp there is a boom, and it is to be found plenty of money and the greatest mining activity. Copper and silver and other metals that have risen in price since the European war began have brought a wonderful prosperity to the state."

"I have been sampling a loaf of German war bread made of potatoes and eye meal," said P. H. Curran. "It was much like our own, but the dough was moist and sweet. The war bread is made in St. Louis as a curiosity by a German army baker who escaped from Belgium."

SHARP NOTE TO SMELTERS CAN'T HANDLE ALL ORE ALLEGES SENT

Language Regarding Mails Almost as Vigorous as Note to Germany.

Washington, D. C., May 25.—Vigorous language, almost equalling that employed in the last communication to Germany on the submarine issue, is understood to characterize the note delivered to the British and French embassies here Wednesday, protesting against interference with neutral mails.

It is understood there is no substantial difference as to principle between the state department and the London and Paris chancellors regarding the broad question of inevitability of first class mails on the high seas.

The American objection is based rather on the methods employed by the allied governments in handling these mails. The United States does not concede the right to inspect first-class mails in transit on the high seas, assuming that these do not include anything more than correspondence and are not made the vehicle for supply of contraband to the belligerents.

Status of Mail Unchanged.

The fact that a neutral vessel carrying mails between neutral countries is compelled to come to a belligerent port to comply with belligerent naval rules, at least, does not remove the mail matter on board from the privileged character of mail on the high seas.

A resolution authorizing the transportation of mail to and from neutral ports on naval vessels, declaring that "any interference with our mails shall be resented by such ships with all their power," was introduced today by Representative Tamm of Mississippi. It was referred to a committee.

THIEVES TAKE VALUABLES FROM C. R. LOOMIS' HOME

A quantity of valuable clothing and a number of pieces of expensive silverware were taken from the home of Charles R. Loomis, 612 E. El Paso street, Wednesday afternoon, entrance into the home being made during the absence of the owner. The thieves were discovered by the police. On investigation it developed that three silk gowns, complete set of silverware, three pairs of diamond rings, one gold fountain pen and one gold watch had been taken.

THIEVES TAKE GARDEN ROSE

Thieves Wednesday afternoon stole a rose of white garden rose from the front yard of Mrs. J. E. Moffett at 419 Decha street, according to a report made to the police. The rose was attached to the hydrant in the front yard.

HOUSE COMMITTEE AGREES TO ARMY APPROPRIATIONS

Washington, D. C., May 25.—The army appropriation bill, carrying \$148,000,000 and including provision for carrying out the provisions of the reorganization bill, was agreed to today by the house military committee.

PREMIERE POWDER BLAST SLIGHTLY INJURES J. HENTHERIA

Jose Hentheria, a Mexican laborer, was slightly injured Wednesday afternoon, when a quantity of powder exploded at the new home of the El Paso Women's club at Mesa avenue and River street. The injured man was removed to Hotel Ives.

BOTH EXPORTS AND IMPORTS AT NEW YORK PORT INCREASE

New York, May 25.—Exports of merchandise from the port of New York during April amounted to \$184,721,916, compared with \$152,721,916 in April, 1915. Imports for that month to \$115,290,422, compared with \$92,552,029 in April, 1915.

SMELTERS CAN'T HANDLE ALL ORE

Only Contract Ores Taken Care of—Small Mines May Have to Close.

Embargo on ores from independent mines by the El Paso and Douglas smelters has resulted in a number of leases of mining property in Arizona being forced to shut down their work, according to the Bisbee and Douglas papers.

The embargo was necessitated by the fact that the larger mines having contracts with the El Paso and Douglas smelters were supplying all the ore the two concerns could handle.

At El Paso, it is stated that the local smelter is "catching up" with its ore and may probably be able to take additional ores in a short time. All contracts now being taken care of.

The smelter is operating six copper furnaces, including three in connection with the reverberatory plant. The five old lead furnaces are now being repaired and these will be put in operation in a short time, when the smelter will be in the market for additional lead ores. It is probable that men will then be sent in the field to solicit such ores.

The El Paso smelter was formerly a lead smelter exclusively, but in the past few years, copper has been the principal ore smelted.

The Douglas Situation.

Of the Douglas situation, the Tombstone Prospector says:

"The Macia brothers, who have taken a lease on the Costello property between Gleason and Courtland, after having shipped a carload of Douglas ore, were forced to close on account of the Douglas smelters refusing to accept further shipments. The same order has caused leases of the Warrick property at Gleason to suspend, according to word received here, and with the expiration of contracts now in force with the Douglas smelters, many of the leases in the Courtland district will be forced to suspend.

The leadville property is already closed by the embargo, and when contracts expire it will effect the closure of the Great Western properties. The Macia brothers, who were to start leasing on the Luckless, will not be able to do so owing to the refusal to accept ores, and the same condition exists in many other places about the country.

Small Emergency May Help.

"It is a condition that was unlooked for, according to the mining men, and unless a change is made will materially hurt the mining industry in this county, especially with the small owners."

"A condition which might alter the decision, however, is the fact that the export duty on ores from Sonora has been raised and will cause the shipments to fall off materially, allowing the smelters to clean up the present congestion, when they will be in a position to again receive the ores of the small operators."

BURT ORNDORFF DELEGATE TO PEACE LEAGUE MEETING

President B. R. Orndorff, of the chamber of commerce, has gone to Washington and other eastern cities on a business trip, and while in the national capital will attend the meeting of the League of Nations, which force peace, which convenes this Friday at the Willard hotel. Former president William H. Taft will preside over the meeting.

Mr. Orndorff will go on to Boston to attend the national hotel men's convention and while there will be the guest of Edward A. Filene, merchant of that city, who is a director of the national chamber of commerce. Mr. Filene was entertained here by Mr. Orndorff and other chamber of commerce directors last February.

In the federal court at Chicago a man testified that he traded a bottle of cyanide patent medicine for a snake. It was not recorded how many snakes the medicine produced.

ISIDRO GONZALES GIVEN THREE YEARS BY JURY

Isidro Gonzales entered a plea of guilty in the fifth criminal court, Monday morning on the charge of assault to murder German Retana and was given three years in the penitentiary by the jury. Gonzales is pleading guilty asked for a suspended sentence which was denied.

Detective Varela, who arrested Gonzales, testified that when he took the man into custody, he called out, "Viva Villa." Gonzales is alleged to have come out of his room on May 1 and fired four shots with a pistol at Retana, his neighbor.

THE COURTS

EIGHTH COURT OF CIVIL APPEALS. J. R. Harper, E. F. Higgins and A. M. Waitall, Justices.

I. H. Yates vs. Mrs. K. K. Watson et al. from Jones, appellant's motion to strike out appellee's cross assignments.

J. W. Streetman et al. vs. C. B. Lamm et al. from Taylor, motion of plaintiff in error for judgment.

Motions Granted.

J. W. Streetman et al. vs. C. B. Lamm et al. from Taylor, motion of plaintiff in error for judgment.

L. H. King et al. vs. Hardin Lumber Co. from Harris, agreed motion for judgment.

Motions for Rehearing Overruled.

Constitutional Cases.

J. E. Wilcox et al. vs. W. T. Thompson, from Seary.

Motions Submitted.

Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Ry. Co. et al. vs. Frank Corn, et al. from Knox, motion of appellant, Kansas City, Mexico & Orient Ry. Co. to modify opinion.

L. W. Houghtaling vs. J. A. Rubank, from Seary, appellee's motion for a rehearing.

Reformed and Affirmed.

I. H. Yates vs. Mrs. K. K. Watson, et al. from Jones.

Affirmed.

W. V. P. Baker vs. C. E. Brown, from Seary.

Howard Jacobs vs. Houston Electric Co., from Harris.

L. H. King et al. vs. Hardin Lumber Co., from Harris.

Sadie B. Brady et al. vs. J. C. Cole et al., from Leon.

Reversed and Dismissed.

Dora Evans vs. Jack Evans, from Andrews.

SAYS MEXICANS DEFEATED HIM.

Judge Blanton, Here to Speak, Intimates Many Voters Live in Juarez.

Judge Thomas L. Blanton, of Abilene, candidate for congress from this district, reached El Paso Thursday morning in behalf of his candidacy. He will speak tonight at the court house.

Judge Blanton was asked concerning statements he is alleged to have made with reference to Mexicans on the border.

"I am in Shafterford county, did you say? Three thousand of those brown Mexican devils voted and defeated me."

"I believe that I am in closer touch with the interests of west Texas than any honorable opponent, for I am personally acquainted with every portion of the territory, its conditions, needs and requirements. If I had been your congressman during the past 12 years, I would have had adequate border protection, or I would have raised a hell in Washington. The time has arisen when our government should protect our border citizens. They have suffered indignity after indignity and congress only does good women on our border have passed for months, they would not consider for one moment the needs of our people in Mexico. In my judgment our troops should never be removed until they bring with them Villa, dead or alive, and hang up in Mexico Villains in every form and fashion. But in this great crisis I am with our president, right or wrong."

"I am a native of Texas, and for 21 years have voted the Democratic ticket from president to constable."

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UNIVERSITY FOR EL PASO

Rotary Club Favors Such An Undertaking—Boost Day at Luncheon.

A civic university for El Paso is the idea of rabbi Martin Zienkowsky, as expressed before the Rotary club at its weekly luncheon Thursday.

Dr. Zienkowsky said El Paso now has one of the finest high schools in the country and that, from a high school town we should develop into a university city. He moved the appointment of a committee by the incoming administration of the club to work with the idea of establishing "The University of El Paso." The motion carried.

On a suggestion of J. E. Blanton, the Rotary club establish an annual scholarship in the Texas School of Mines, to be given to some high school graduate who is desirous of attending the president name a committee to go into the matter and report back a plan at a later meeting.

Election Next Week.

A telegram was read from Walter Kuhlberg, dated Chicago, congratulating the newly elected officers of the club. As Mr. Kuhlberg was a week previous in the city and had not moved to wire him to send another message next week, as the election takes place next Thursday.

A meeting of the board of directors of the club, asked to have his name withdrawn.

Francis O'Neill, who has just returned from a trip east and everybody back there thought El Paso's streets were running with blood, that life was not safe here and that the women were all carrying revolvers to protect themselves. He said the east had no clearer idea of the border situation at all.

As the "stunt" of the day, names of members were drawn from a box to have their business "advertised" and names of other members were drawn to do the advertising. In the drawing it fell to the lot of J. R. Segall to talk upon the subject of "Business Men of El Paso." He said, "The Herald has been a great factor in the life of the city, and is one of the biggest factors and strongest influences in El Paso today."

R. S. Gray said his firm often had calls from its correspondents all over the southwest for copies of The Herald. He said, "The Herald has been a great factor in the life of the city, and is one of the biggest factors and strongest influences in El Paso today."

Mr. Segall appealed to the members to buy Globe and keep them in the money at home, since he said, the flour is as good as the best made anywhere, and the money for its making is all spent in El Paso.

Mr. McIntock told of the great good the First National bank has done for El Paso in encouraging the city to prosper and furnishing money to the business and furnishing money to the business.

ARGUE MAPLE PAVING APPEAL

Lawyers for Commissioners and Contractor McKee Contest Controversy.

The Maple avenue paving controversy, wherein the county commissioners were enjoined by Judge Ballard Caldwell from entering into a contract with the El Paso Bituminous Paving company for the improvement of the street, was argued Thursday morning in the eighth court of civil appeals, where it was carried by the commissioners on appeal.